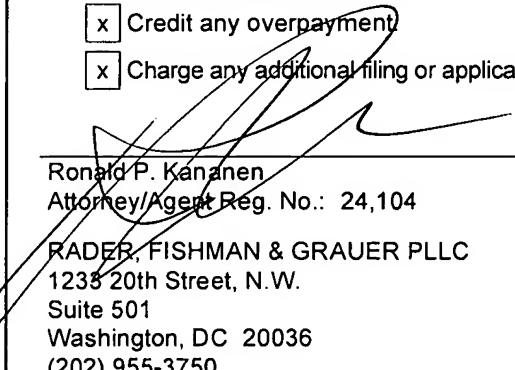




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Application No. 10/532,973-Conf. #9133		Filing Date April 28, 2005		Examiner M. S. Blouin	
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Applicant(s): Morihiko MURATA et al.					
Invention: DISC-TYPE RECORDING AND/OR REPRODUCING APPARATUS, AND METHOD OF JUDGING DISC-SHAPED RECORDING MEDIUM OF DISC-TYPE RECORDING AND/OR REPRODUCING APPARATUS					
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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.					
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**RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION OF AUGUST 31, 2006**

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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In full and timely response to the non-final Office Action of August 31, 2006, please further amend the above-identified application as follows.

**Amendments to the claims** begin at page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin at page 9 of this paper.